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PRISONER ESCAPES FROM WORK ASSIGNEMENT

Today 06/17/05 at approximately 11: 49 p.m. State Police Troop- K was notified via 911 that a prisoner who was assigned to work at the Department of Transportation Garage located on Old Hartford Road in Colchester CT. had stolen a DOT vehicle and fled from the garage.

All Law Enforcement in the area were advised of the stolen vehicle and escape. At 11:55 a.m. a State Police Trooper located the stolen vehicle. The DOT vehicle being operated by the escapee had run off the road and struck a tree. State Police secured the crash area. An immediate search was initiated. State Police Troopers, aircraft, and State Police K-9 teams all have responded to the crash area to conduct a search for the escapee.

ESCAPEE: CEDENO, Eric DOB: 3/20/83

LKA New Britain, Ct

CEDENO is 5"11", 180lbs, Black hair and Brown Eyes last seen wearing prisoner uniform khaki pants and white t-shirt

This prisoner was convicted of narcotics violations in February 2005 and had been assigned to serve his one-year sentence at the Bergin Correctional Institution. The prisoner who was being housed at the Bergin Correctional Institution in Mansfield was assigned to a work detail at Department of Transportation Garage Old Hartford Road Colchester.

The search is underway at this time.

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